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<b>RER</b>		6,203,240 B1	03/20/01	Hironaka et al	403	397	
		6,141,837	11/07/00	Wisniewski	24	295	
		5,987,714	11/23/99	Smith.	24	295	
		5,919,019	07/06/99	Fisher	411	182	
		5,887,319	03/30/99	Smith	24	293	
		5,542,158	08/06/96	Gronau et al.	24	295	
		5,422,789	07/06/95	Fisher et al.	361	719	
		5,373,611	10/20/94	Murata	24	297	
		5,367,751	11/29/94	DeWitt	24	295	
		5,129,768	07/14/92	Hoyle et al.	411	182	
		5,095,592	03/17/92	Doerfling	24	295	
<b>RER</b>		5,092,550	03/03/92	Bettini	248	188	
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<b>RER</b>		4,981,310	01/01/91	Belisaire	285	162	
		4,792,475	12/20/88	Bien	428	137	
		4,712,341	12/15/87	Harris, Jr. et al..	52	208	
		4,683,622	08/04/87	Oehlke	24	458	
		4,609,170	09/02/86	Schnabl	248	71	
		4,595,325	06/17/86	Moran et al.	411	173	
		4,431,355	01/14/84	Junemann.	411	15	
		4,245,652	01/20/81	Kelly et al.	128	736	
		4,133,246	01/09/79	Small	85	80	
		3,864,789	02/11/75	Leitner	24	73 MF	
		3,673,643	07/04/72	Kindell	24	73 B	
<b>RER</b>		3,525,129	08/25/70	Holton	248	188	
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	2,607,971	08-1952	Bedford, Jr.	24	73	
	2,542,883	02-1951	Tinnerman	24	259	
	2,424,757	07-1947	Klumpp	174	153	
	2,329,688	09-1943	Bedford, Jr.	189	88	
	2,322,656	06-1943	Murphy	24	73	
	6,074,150	06-2000	Shinozaki et al.	411	508	
	6,381,811	05-2002	Smith et al.	24	289	
	6,353,981	03-2002	Smith, Edward John	24	295	
RJR	4,701,984	10-1987	Wyckoff, Stephen G.	24	297	

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